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Attorney Docket No. 26859-002 UTIL



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANTS : Stuart Brown  
SERIAL NUMBER : 10/629,048 EXAMINER : Michael Apanius  
FILING DATE : July 28, 2003 ART UNIT : 3736  
FOR : *TISSUE AND FLUID SAMPLING DEVICE*

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136 (a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the October 5, 2007 Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before April 5, 2008 (April 5, 2008 being a Saturday, the response is due Monday, April 7, 2008). Please find a check in the amount of \$525.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 26859-002UTIL. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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